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SUBJECT: GREECE/PIRACY: GREECE WILL ATTEND CONTACT GROUP  
ON SOMALI PIRACY INAUGURAL MEETING

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SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED -- PROTECT ACCORDINGLY

1. (SBU) A/Political Counselor delivered reftel invitation and points on December 22 on the inaugural meeting of the Contact Group on Somali Piracy (CGSP) to Dimitrios Papandreou, Counselor for Non-proliferation and Security in the MFA's D1 (IO equivalent) Department. Papandreou immediately confirmed that Greece would attend the GCSP inaugural meeting.

2. (SBU) Papandreou later informed us that the Greek delegation will be headed by Ambassador Tryphon S. Paraskevopoulos, Director of the MFA's D1 Department for United Nations and International Specialized Organizations and Conferences. The Greek delegation will be comprised of

Ambassador Paraksevpoulos, Papandreou, assistant legal advisor Fani Livada, and possibly a member of the Greek Permanent Mission to the UN. A/Pol Counselor noted that we were certain that there would be sufficient room for a principal representative plus one, but that it was unclear if there would be sufficient space for larger delegations.

13. (SBU) Papandreou had one major comment on the proposed agenda. After consulting within the ministry, he said that the GOG would "prefer" that this inaugural meeting of the CGSP not/not have working group meetings. The Greeks believe that the meeting's primary purpose should be 1) to launch the CGSP and 2) agree on the CGSP Statement of Principles. This can be achieved in a plenary. The Greek delegation will likely "not be ready" for working group discussions nor "have enough people to manage working groups." Papandreou said Greece would prefer that the plenary discuss what working groups may be required and then take decisions on the substance and timing of their work.  
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